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HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97(a) and 1.98, and in addition to the documents already listed on the Information Disclosure Statement in the priority applications, applicants hereby provide the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

- 1) U.S. Patent No. 5,199,942, Gillis
- 2) U.S. Patent No. 5,326,558, Turner et al.
- 3) U.S. Patent No. 5,192,553, Boyse et al.
- 4) EP 627487, Lyman et al.
- 5) Stewart et al., *Blood*, 81:2283 (1993)

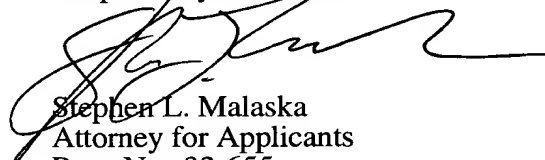
In addition, applicant wishes to bring the attention of the examiner to the following copending applications:

- 1) USSN 08/738,628, which discloses and claims an extracorporeal cell culture composition comprising flt3-ligand plus thrombopoietin.
- 2) USSN 08/399,404 which discloses and claims extracorporeal cell culture and transplantation kits, comprising flt3-ligand.
- 3) USSN 08/444,625 which discloses and claims a method for conducting autologous transplantation in a patient receiving cytoreductive therapy, comprising, *inter alia*,

expanding collected hematopoietic or stem cells with flt3-ligand; and methods of treating various conditions.

Since the submission of the documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 is made before the mailing of the first Office Action in connection with the above-captioned application, no fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) is believed to be required. However, should it be determined that a fee is necessary, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge Applicants' deposit account no 09-0089 in an amount necessary to permit consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,



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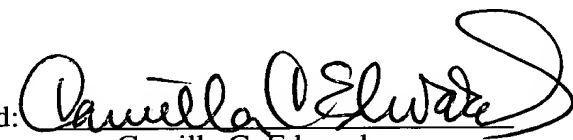
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